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Had the gerat war been averted or even delayed indefinitely. Germany's rewind delayed indefinitely. Germany's rewing as power would have opened by unparalleled fisher for her development politically in world affairs, without being obliged to strike in a military sense. Even could Germany have consolidated her naval strength with that of another nation she could have enloyed remarkable possibilities in her could development.

Alliance or consolidation of power with fagiand would probably have been at all times out of the question. Indeed, how such an attempt falled in a previous instance I will describe later. But ad we kept pace with England it is not at all outside the range of possibility that our relations with the United States might have grown always closer and more friendly. It would have been divantageous to both powers.

No one realized this more fully than did Theodore Resseveit, whom I knew well and with whom I had many long conversations. He saw not only the identities of the power of a state which had enemies, active to potential.

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when Ro eveit remarked to me that Germany's dustural development domanded the the regain her natural supremacy of the mouth of her principal river as unite it to her amali Germany of the mouth of her principal river as unite it to her amali German states on the lower Rhine and Scheldt, he was honest and spoke after his naual manner, roughly if do not take his later opposition to us on the grounds of the military invasion of Belgium as a reversal of his position.

His remarks about Holland and Belgium were not recommendations that we should conquer them. It was marely the impetuous pronouncing of the impetuous siting un Germany's political and geographical position. He understood European politica as few Americans have understood them.

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Anglo-Japanese Alliance.

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In speaking thus to me, I believe it was Roosevelt's view that England's world power gradually would decrease and that we should become America's natural ally against Japan. The consummation of the Anglo-Japanese treaty strengthough it was the considered it of the utmost importance that Germany's sea power be developed unhampered. The consolidation of the Americas and German fleets would have made it impossible for Japan to carry a war to Europe or the western hemisphere, and their combined strength would have been sufficient to prevent them transporting troops to the Philippines.

Either the war would have to be fought to a finish on the sea or it could be carried to Japan.

To show how friendly were our relations and how close they might have grown, when Roosevelt as president of the United States, was contemplating sending the American fleet around the world, he asked me unofficially, through the American ambassador in Berlin, whether if I were in his place I would take the naval and political responsibility of such a step.

I answered. "I should take it."

It must be remembered that at this time, 1905, the sending of the fleet to the Pacific was much more of a naval feat than it is today, with the Panama canal available. Consequently the political significance of such an act was correspondingly greater.

In answering him as I did I bore in mind that this trip of the American fleet would also be of great advantage to us. In respect to Japan, the interests of Germany and the United States were becoming singularly idertical.

And again, one of the most striking results of the cruise was that Australia's indifference to England cooled perceptibly and great enthusiasm was aroused for America. Only by the war have we curselves reunited with firmer ties the colonies of England to the mother country.

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(Even if at first he held the mistaken view of many German diplomate that the British colonies would attack the mother country at the outbreak of the war, Von Tirpits here admits that it was an error. It is not every German who even now can see that his 'psychology' was wrong.—Editor's Note.)

Admits Mistakes in Dealing

With U. S.

Of course Roosevelt's inquiry of me having been entirely unofficial he could not acknowledge it officially, but after the return of the fleet he sent me a photograph characteristically indorsed: "From one who sent the American fleet around the world."

The meaning behind these words was extremely flattering and gratifying to me.

While I am on the subject of Roosevelt, for whom all Germans felt the despest respect, it will be of interest to state that before America's entry into the war I received a letter from an American friend suggressing that Roosevelt be invited to general headquarters with a view to gaining an understanding of our conduct of the war, and to create sympathy with our aims and problems.

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The venezuela incident.

The only occasion upon which there had been real friction between the United States and Germany in the long years leading up to the error war was during the Venezuela incident in 1902. This incident should also have been a lessen to us in our dealings with England. Castro, then president of Venezuela had practically flouted the just claims of European quations. These claims were recognized at least unofficially by the United States, and later awarded by The Hague tribunal. In the latter part of 1902 the British everment invited Germany to take common measures against Castro with common measures against Castro with —I use their words—"Roosevelt's con

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sent," to enforce the payment of these claims.

I made every effort to induce the German government not to comply with the English request. I based this advice on my knowledge of the American character, and the English policy of double dealing, setting someone to hely them and leaving them in the lurch when the pace became too hot. Also Carl Schurz, in whom German Americanism at that time possessed a competent, clear-seeing head, had warned me.

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I explained to the emperor that if our blockade measures in Venezuela resuited in an armed encounter the jealousy with which they guarded the Monroe doctrine might set America aflame, in which case England would in all probability desert us. Unfortunately, this is what really happened.

When I saw that the government was set upon the move, I urged the emperor before his visit to England to obtain an unconditional promise from the British government that they would carry the affair through with us.

I do not know whether he actually obtained such a promise or not. I do know what actually happened.

We joined England in a demonstration against Venezuela. The American public became inflamed over what they feared would be a violation of the Monroe doctrine. Even if Rosseveit had given his consent to the move, as the British said he had, he would have been powerless to stem the indignation in the United States.

Just as I had predicted the British government immediately wheeled round, and not only deserted us, with the tacit consent of their own pross, but egged the United States on to attack us, "the Huns."

(American historians point out that it was Germany's offensive diplomacy which aroused American opposition, and not the actual blockade. Some accounts state that when the German ambassador in Washington asked Roosevelt what the United States would do if Germany field not accede to her demands, the premisent replied, "The American fleet has sailed for Veneruelan waters, Only its admiral and my-self know."—Editor's Note.)

Prince Henry's Message.

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That was in 1902 and 193. Yet by 1914 we had so far forgotten it that there were those sligh in authority in Germany who once more trusted the word of England. On July 23 Prince Henry returned to Poladam from England after visiting King George V. He assured the emperor that King George had promised that England would remain neutral in case of war. Remembering Venezuela I took exception to this verbal promise, whereupon the emperor, as I have said before, said stiff-191.

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